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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on behalf of the Communist and Allies Group

with request for debate by urgent procedure
pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure

on the commemoration of the 8th of May 1945.

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The European Parliament,

- shocked by the decision taken by the President of the French Republic and communicated by him as a Member of the European Council to the other Heads of State or Government of the Community, to no longer celebrate the anniversary of the victory of the peoples of Europe over Nazism on the 8th of May 1945,
- 1. Recalls that 30 years ago the people of Europe, liberated after so much suffering, decided to make the 8th of May a day of solemn commemoration of the fight against tyranny and fascism;
- 2. Stresses that the 8th of May is and must remain the symbol of the victory of national freedoms and of democracy for all peoples including the German people which was freed from the Nazi yoke;
- 3. Considers that the 8th of May is a date which cannot be erased from history without seriously offending against the memory of millions of men and women who paid with their lives their resistance to fascism and their fight for freedom and without betraying the memory of the 53 million dead of the Second World War;
- 4. Convinced that in doing so it speaks on behalf of all those who fought in the last war as patriots and anti-fascists, affirms that the necessary reconciliation with the German people cannot allow fascism to be forgotten;
- 5. Urgently appeals to all nations and their governments to make the 8th of May forever a great date in the history of Europe in its fight for peace, freedom and the happiness of man.

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